

From:

Subject:

Latimer, Becky

Sent:

Monday, March 23, 2020 9:50 AM

To:

2019-281-S

Dear Calvin Kennedy,

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Sincerely, Becky Latimer

From:

Easterling, Deborah

Sent:

Thursday, March 19, 2020 4:41 PM

To:

Latimer, Becky

Subject:

FW: [External] Palmetto Utilities Sewr Rate Increase

From: Calvin Kennedy

Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2020 4:26 PM

To: PSC_Contact < Contact@psc.sc.gov>

Subject: [External] Palmetto Utilities Sewr Rate Increase

To whom it may concern;

I am sending this email in protest to the proposed rate increase by Palmetto Utilities from \$52.10 to \$66.62 per month.

The citizens that were already on the sewer service should not have to pay for improvements that were made in order to accommodate new users or an increased customer base. My sewer rates have increase from \$19 per month in 2008 to the current rate of \$52.10 which is approximately a 350% increase which is far beyond the cost of living increase! Based on the cost of living, the \$19 paid in 2008 should only be \$22.80 today. Add another 30% to cover increased cost to operate (\$5.70) & you're still only at \$28.50!

It's time for the South Carolina Public Service Commission to step up to the plate & remember the word 'PUBLIC' is in their title & quit bowing to the utilities!!!

Calvin H. Kennedy Sr.

Columbia, SC



From:

Latimer, Becky

Sent:

Monday, March 23, 2020 9:52 AM

To: Subject:

2019-281-S

Dear Kim Eith,

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From:

Easterling, Deborah

Sent:

Thursday, March 19, 2020 1:41 PM

To:

Latimer, Becky

Subject:

FW: [External] Palmetto Utilities Rate Increase

Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2020 1:34 PM To: PSC_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>

Subject: [External] Palmetto Utilities Rate Increase

Re: Rate Increase

This email is to oppose the increase in the rate which of Palmetto Utilities; which is currently \$52.00. The proposed rate is significantly higher. I've seen .01 increases in taxes which have significantly helped with deficits. The increase you are proposing puts additional undue burdens on families living on fixed incomes; many of whom are struggling.

Thank you for considering cancellation of this hike in premium. At the very least, the increase should be significantly minimal.

Sincerely,

Kim Eith Lake Carolina

Sent from my iPhone



From: Latimer, Becky

Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 9:51 AM

To:

Subject: 2019-281-S

Dear Dennis Eith,

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Sincerely, Becky Latimer

From:

Easterling, Deborah

Sent:

Thursday, March 19, 2020 3:09 PM

To:

Latimer, Becky

Subject:

FW: [External] Proposed Utility Rate Increase

From: Dennis Eith Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2020 3:08 PM

To: PSC_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>

Subject: [External] Proposed Utility Rate Increase

I am writing to oppose the utility rate increase that Palmetto Utilities has proposed. This would be about a 27% hike in my monthly rate which is totally absurd. Given the current circumstances we are enduring this additional burden on the public is unreasonable especially those individuals on a fixed or low income. I don't understand why I should pay for poor business decisions by Palmetto Utilities, they need to look at how they can reduce costs and overhead to deal with their situation and not place it on the customers to bail them out.

Sent from my iPhone